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SUBJECT: HEBRON BLAST KILLS THREE ARABS; SHORT VAT STRIKE

1. AN EXPLOSION IN A HEBRON BARBER SHOP KILLED THREE YOUNG ARABS DEC 4. ALTHOUGH IT WAS INITIALLY REPORTED THAT A GAS CYLINDER HAD EXPLODED, LATER IDF OFFICIALS ANNOUNCED THE THREE WERE KILLED WHILE PREPARING A BOMB.

2. LEAFLETS DENOUNCING THE VALUE ADDED TAX (COLLECTION OF WHICH FROM WB BUSINESSMEN WAS DUE TO BEGIN DEC 1) WERE DISTRIBUTED IN TOWN OF THE WB DEC 4 AND 5. A BRIEF TWO-HOUR STRIKE WAS STAGED IN BETHLEHM DEC 6 TO PROTEST THE VAT.

3. COMMENT: WITH THE LAST MONTH, AT LEAST THREE BOMBS HAVE EXPLODED IN HEBRON. IF IDF'S ANNOUNCEMENT IS ACCURATE, THE DEC 4 BLAST IS ONE MORE INDICATION OF CONTINUED GENERAL WEST BANK UNREST. SUCH UNREST IS LIKELY TO BE EXACERBATED BY MILGOV ATTEMPTS TO COLLECT THE VAT.
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